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Ministerial Correspondence Unit - Justice Canada

From: Wilson-Raybould, Jody - M.P. <Jody.Wilson-Raybould@parl.gc.ca>
Sent: February-23-17 5:30 PM
To: Ministerial Correspondence Unit - Justice Canada
Subject: FW: mercy for our children

Please log and process.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: February 23, 2017 5:16 PM
To: Wilson-Raybould, Jody - M.P.
Subject: mercy for our children

Bill Blair, MP

Here is a quoat from BB saying he is concered for our young..yet to this day continuse to throw our children in jails with organized criminales....("Talk about a gateway to crime) Burdening their chance of any number of carreers. in short making second class citizens of children. With legislation so close this TACTIC of last grab before it ends is destroying young lives as we speak.Supporting unjust issues seems to be a thing However I see no support in the Media or public over what is happening to our Canadian children in these cases. most of these kids are finished school on the way to carreers . All paid for by education tax dollares. And BB is willing to waist the millions spent on educating these kid in an instant by slapping criminal records on them this is a WASTE of tax dollares at the highest levels.Total cost of ruining our childrens life starts from first contact right till release and the posble probation cost add to that the money we invested in our childrens education and the cost to tax payers is crazy big. Time to let common sense prevale. Or ask BB for a total cost on an average aresst conviction and prison for marajuana users and then add the cost the tax payers paid to educate that person and the social \$ cost attached to a criminale record they will now carry. .These numbers should be available so go ahead ask him and see were the money for prohability goes and lasting effects on Our children. ----- Here is BB quote .Quotes

"I look forward to meeting with Canadians from across the country to hear their perspectives on regulating access to legal cannabis. We know that the current system of prohibition through the criminal justice system is not** protecting the health and safety of Canadians, especially our young people**. These meetings, along with the work of the Task Force on Cannabis Legalization and Regulation and the online consultations, will help inform the development of legislation to be introduced in Parliament this spring."

Bill Blair, M.P.

Savard, Angela

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 2017-Feb-16 9:52 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias
Subject: Re Canada tour

https://www.canada.ca/en/departement-justice/news/2017/02/parliamentary_secretarybillblairlaunchestourtomeetwithcanadianst.html

Good evening,
Could you please provide a list of the cities included on the tour?

Thank you

[REDACTED] Higher Limits

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Savard, Angela

From: [REDACTED] on behalf of [REDACTED]
Sent: 2017-Feb-16 10:31 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias
Subject: Secretary Bill Blair: tour

regarding : Parliamentary Secretary Bill Blair launches tour to meet with Canadians to discuss cannabis legalization and regulation

What is the schedule for the tour?

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-16 12:00 PM
To: Savard, Angela
Subject: FW: Bill Blair Tour

Has this hit the calendar, or should I just be referring to MO?

Ian McLeod
Senior Advisor, Media Relations | Conseiller principal, relations avec les médias
Department of Justice Canada | Ministère de la Justice du Canada

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: February-16-17 11:58 AM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Bill Blair Tour

Hi There,

Can you please provide an itinerary for Bill Blair's tour? Specifically we are interested in any dates where he will be on Vancouver Island.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
CTV Vancouver Island | t 250-414-6510 | [REDACTED]
1420 Broad Street
Victoria, BC V8W2B1
www.ctvvancouverisland.ca

BellMedia

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-16 12:11 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: FW: Bill Blair Tour

Hi David,

Here's a request from CTV Vancouver Island that might be better addressed on the ministerial side.

Thanks,
Ian

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Sent: 2017-Feb-17 4:06 AM
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Subject: Town hall schedule

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]
Qualicum Beach, BC

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Savard, Angela

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Please forward a link to, or a copy of, the schedule and how one would submit a presentation.

Thank you,

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[REDACTED]
Ephemera Studios

Halifax NS

It's as if you're not in a studio at all.

Savard, Angela

From: Media-Relations-Medias
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 9:44 AM
To: Web Administrator
Subject: FW: Secretary Bill Blair: tour

For follow-up.

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regarding : Parliamentary Secretary Bill Blair launches tour to meet with Canadians to discuss cannabis legalization and regulation

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Savard, Angela

From: Media-Relations-Medias
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 9:46 AM
To: Web Administrator
Subject: FW: Town hall schedule

Here's another one.

Ian McLeod

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Ministère de la Justice du Canada

-----Original Message-----

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Qualicum Beach, BC

Savard, Angela

From: Media-Relations-Medias
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 9:56 AM
To: Web Administrator
Subject: FW: Schedule for consultations

Here's another one. Not media, but a business owner.

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Thank you,

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Halifax NS

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Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 10:45 AM
To: Cox, Sam
Subject: RE: Media Call

Thanks. I forwarded the request to David, who also got a voicemail from him.

Ian McLeod
Senior Advisor, Media Relations | Conseiller principal, relations avec les médias
Department of Justice Canada | Ministère de la Justice du Canada

From: Cox, Sam
Sent: February-17-17 10:42 AM
To: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Media Call

He called again at 10:35am

Looking for dates, etc.

From: Cox, Sam
Sent: February-17-17 8:37 AM
To: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Media Call

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[REDACTED] - List Cannabis News
5:35pm - [REDACTED]

Calling about Bill Blair's marijuana tour to discuss cannabis regulations

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 11:11 AM
To: Web Administrator; Collin, Pierre
Cc: Stooke, Diane; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: RE: Bill Blair's Tour

I'm following up.

Ian McLeod
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Department of Justice Canada | Ministère de la Justice du Canada

From: Web Administrator
Sent: February-17-17 11:11 AM
To: Collin, Pierre <Pierre.Collin@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: Stooke, Diane <Diane.Stooke@justice.gc.ca>; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa) <Christian.Girouard@justice.gc.ca>;
McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Bill Blair's Tour

Pierre,

Will you be verifying with David(?) on how to handle these emails?

Thank you.

Guy

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Direction des communications / Ministère de la Justice Canada / Gouvernement du Canada
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From: Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Sent: February-17-17 10:57 AM
To: Bellavance, Guy <Guy.Bellavance@justice.gc.ca>; Collin, Pierre <Pierre.Collin@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>; Stooke, Diane <Diane.Stooke@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Re: Bill Blair's Tour

Can we check with David on how he'd like to handle?

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Bellavance, Guy

Sent: Friday, February 17, 2017 10:53 AM

To: Collin, Pierre

Cc: Girouard, Christian (Ottawa); McLeod, Ian W (COMMS); Stooke, Diane

Subject: RE: Bill Blair's Tour

Pierre,

Can you clarify if I forward the emails to the MCU or is there someone in the MO they need to be forwarded?

Thank you.

Guy

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From: Collin, Pierre

Sent: February-17-17 10:51 AM

To: Bellavance, Guy <Guy.Bellavance@justice.gc.ca>; McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>

Cc: Girouard, Christian (Ottawa) <Christian.Girouard@justice.gc.ca>

Subject: RE: Bill Blair's Tour

Ian and Guy:

Questions from media or anyone else about the PS's tour are to go to MO. We have not information at the departmental level.

Pierre

From: Bellavance, Guy

Sent: February-17-17 10:49 AM

To: Collin, Pierre <Pierre.Collin@justice.gc.ca>

Subject: Bill Blair's Tour

Good morning Pierre,

Media Relations forwarded the attached 4 emails asking for information about Mr. Blair's tour for our response. All I could find was the News Release. How would you like to respond to the 4 enquiries?

Thank you.

Guy

Guy J. Bellavance

Agent d'information, Demandes du public EME-3341

Direction des communications / Ministère de la Justice Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

guy.bellavance@justice.gc.ca / Tél. : (613) 952-2279 / Téléc. : (613) 954-0811

Information Officer, General Enquiries EMB-3341
Communications Branch / Department of Justice Canada / Government of Canada
guy.bellavance@justice.gc.ca / Tel: 613-952-2279 / Fax: 613-954-0811

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 12:04 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: RE: Media Call: PS Blair schedule

OK, thanks.

Ian McLeod
Senior Advisor, Media Relations | Conseiller principal, relations avec les médias
Department of Justice Canada | Ministère de la Justice du Canada

From: Taylor, David
Sent: February-17-17 12:04 PM
To: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: Girouard, Christian (Ottawa) <Christian.Girouard@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Media Call: PS Blair schedule

Sorry, man. Too many e-mails open on my screen. Yes, Miramichi.

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: February-17-17 12:03 PM
To: Taylor, David <David.Taylor@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: Girouard, Christian (Ottawa) <Christian.Girouard@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Media Call: PS Blair schedule

Sorry, was that for Miramichi?

Ian McLeod
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From: Taylor, David
Sent: February-17-17 12:02 PM
To: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne <ShirleyAnne.Off@justice.gc.ca>; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa) <Christian.Girouard@justice.gc.ca>;
Collin, Pierre <Pierre.Collin@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Media Call: PS Blair schedule

Good to go, Ian. From the Department.

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: February-17-17 11:00 AM

To: Taylor, David <David.Taylor@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne <ShirleyAnne.Off@justice.gc.ca>; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa) <Christian.Girouard@justice.gc.ca>;
Collin, Pierre <Pierre.Collin@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Media Call: PS Blair schedule

Thanks.

Ian McLeod
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From: Taylor, David
Sent: February-17-17 10:59 AM
To: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne <ShirleyAnne.Off@justice.gc.ca>; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa) <Christian.Girouard@justice.gc.ca>;
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Received: 5:35 PM Thursday

Please let us know if you require any assistance.

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Savard, Angela

From: Collin, Pierre
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 1:48 PM
To: Bellavance, Guy
Subject: FW: Media Call: PS Blair schedule
Attachments: Schedule for consultations; Town hall schedule; Secretary Bill Blair: tour; Re Canada tour

Fyi – il va envoyer les courriel au bureau du PS.

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: February-17-17 12:25 PM
To: Taylor, David <David.Taylor@justice.gc.ca>
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Here they are.

(I'd assumed Higher Limits was a publication at first, but it's a lounge in Windsor)

Ian McLeod
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From: Taylor, David
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Subject: RE: Media Call: PS Blair schedule

OK this one IS about PS Blair.

Could you please send me a list of the non-media calls you have received. I will be forwarding those to Mr. Blair's staff.

Thanks!

DT

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Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 2:15 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: FW: Parliamentary Secretary Bill Blair launches tour to meet with Canadians to discuss cannabis legalization and regulation

Hi David,

Here's a request from a writer for *Cannabis Digest*.

Thanks,
Ian

Ian McLeod
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Department of Justice Canada | Ministère de la Justice du Canada

From: [REDACTED] s.19(1)
Sent: February-17-17 2:06 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Parliamentary Secretary Bill Blair launches tour to meet with Canadians to discuss cannabis legalization and regulation

I read the following with interest:

https://www.canada.ca/en/department-justice/news/2017/02/parliamentary_secretarybillblairlaunchestourtomeetwithcanadianst.html

Where can I find a complete list of dates and locations for this tour?

Thank you very much.

[REDACTED]
Montreal, Quebec

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 2:39 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: FW: Bill Blair

Here's another public enquiry.

Ian McLeod
Senior Advisor, Media Relations | Conseiller principal, relations avec les médias
Department of Justice Canada | Ministère de la Justice du Canada

From: [REDACTED] s.19(1)
Sent: February-17-17 2:28 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Bill Blair

When is he going to be in Calgary and where so I can make sure to attend.
Thank you

[REDACTED]

Savard, Angela

From: [REDACTED] s.19(1)
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 5:23 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias
Subject: cannabis legalization meetings

Hello,

I would like to know where and when the meetings with Mr Blair will take place.

The last time they were having meetings to hear what the public has to say, I saw no opportunity to engage in this area.

I am on Vancouver Island and look forward to having input into these sessions.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
Chemainus, BC

Savard, Angela

From: [REDACTED] s.19(1)
Sent: 2017-Feb-17 10:18 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias
Subject: Bill Blairs tour

Hi I seen that Bill Blair will be touring the country to discuss upcoming marijuana legalization . Will he be visiting edmonton ? Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-20 10:07 AM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: De Mora, Joe
Subject: Marijuana schedule: public requests
Attachments: cannabis legalization meetings; Bill Blairs tour

Good morning,

Here are a couple of requests from members of the public about tour dates.

Thanks,
Ian

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Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-20 10:08 AM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: De Mora, Joe
Subject: FW: Bill Blair tour itinerary

Hello again,

Here's a request from the Globe and Mail about PS Blair's itinerary.

Thanks,
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From: [REDACTED] s.19(1)
Sent: February-17-17 6:40 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Bill Blair tour itinerary

Hi there,

Can you please flip me his itinerary?

Thanks,



Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-20 12:38 PM
To: De Mora, Joe
Subject: RE: Visit to Western Canada Mr. Blair and the Honourable Jody Raybould-Wilson

For other stuff I would, but my understanding is that we're putting all the PS Blair/cannabis stuff through David.

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From: De Mora, Joe
Sent: February-20-17 12:29 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>; Taylor, David <David.Taylor@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: Visit to Western Canada Mr. Blair and the Honourable Jody Raybould-Wilson

Hi Ian,

Would it not be best to route this through Min correspondence?

Joe

From: Media-Relations-Medias
Sent: February-20-17 12:27 PM
To: Taylor, David <David.Taylor@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: De Mora, Joe <Joe.DeMora@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: FW: Visit to Western Canada Mr. Blair and the Honourable Jody Raybould-Wilson

Hi David,

You've received a letter.

Thanks,
Ian

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Sent: February-20-17 12:21 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Visit to Western Canada Mr. Blair and the Honourable Jody Raybould-Wilson

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From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-20 4:50 PM
To: Taylor, David
Subject: FW: Cannabis Legalization Tour

Hi David,

Here's a request about the tour from a PR firm for PS Blair's office.

Thanks,
Ian

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From: [REDACTED] - s.19(1)
Sent: February-20-17 4:46 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Cannabis Legalization Tour

Hi,

I saw your Feb 16 release announcing the tour Bill Blair and Minister Wilson-Raybould will be going on. Is it possible to know the tour dates and when they will be visiting Quebec in particular ? I'd also like to know who can register to attend the consultation and what the procedure is.

Regards,

[REDACTED]
Octane
STRATEGIES > COMMUNICATIONS
Membre de l'Alliance des cabinets de relations publiques du Québec

[REDACTED]

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-21 3:26 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne; De Mora, Joe; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: FW: Bill Blair itinerary

Hi David,

This may actually be a media request (we've received requests from *Cannabis in Canada* from the jademaple domain in the past), but the requester is looking for the itinerary.

Thanks,
Ian

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: February-21-17 2:24 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Bill Blair itinerary

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You sent out a press release last week regarding Bill Blair wanting to speak to Canadians about how to move forward with cannabis legalization and regulation. Are any of those meetings going to be open to the public and, if so, how will people know where and when they will be?
Thanks.

[REDACTED]

Savard, Angela

From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-21 3:27 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne; De Mora, Joe; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: FW: Cannabis Shareholders: Discuss Cannabis Legalization & Regulation with Bill Blair
Importance: High

Hi David,

Here's a request looking for a chance to present views on cannabis.

Thanks,
Ian

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From: [REDACTED] s.19(1)
Sent: February-21-17 1:29 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Cannabis Shareholders: Discuss Cannabis Legalization & Regulation with Bill Blair
Importance: High

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm working with several cannabis shareholders in Toronto that would like to present their views on legalization and regulation.

How may we participating the meeting?

Best Regards,

[REDACTED]
Osprey Capital Partners Inc.

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From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-22 3:09 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne; De Mora, Joe; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: Media request: itinerary

Hi David,

A writer for Leafly is looking to attend one of the sessions with PS Blair.

Contact: [REDACTED] Leafly [REDACTED] s.19(1)
Call received: 3:01 PM

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From: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS)
Sent: 2017-Feb-23 1:23 PM
To: Cox, Sam
Subject: RE: Media Calls

Thanks. I'm going to check with the Parole Board about that Spec call.

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From: Cox, Sam
Sent: February-23-17 1:05 PM
To: McLeod, Ian W (COMMS) <IanW.McLeod@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Media Calls
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Looking for a response to a call from two days ago – looking for information about Bill Blair's tour

11:11 a.m.

– Hamilton Spectator
12:53p.m.

Wants a comment on a story about a Hamilton man who received a suspended sentence in St. Lucia – had to pay a fine there and then come home – won't necessarily show up on a criminal record here (todl by alwyers there). Would like clarity and how charges affect someone country to country

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From: Media-Relations-Medias
Sent: 2017-Feb-24 1:48 PM
To: Taylor, David
Cc: Off, Shirley Anne; De Mora, Joe; Girouard, Christian (Ottawa)
Subject: FW: Bill Blair cannabis legalization tour

Hi David,

Here's another request about the schedule for the tour.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: February-24-17 1:46 PM
To: Media-Relations-Medias <media@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: Bill Blair cannabis legalization tour

Is Mr. Blair swinging through Calgary during this tour? I haven't seen a schedule since this new release was issued on Feb. 16.

https://www.canada.ca/en/department-justice/news/2017/02/parliamentary_secretarybillblairlaunchestourtomeetwithcanadianst.html

Savard, Angela

From: Collin, Pierre
Sent: 2017-Mar-06 1:24 PM
To: Web Administrator
Cc: Stooke, Diane
Subject: RE: Legalizing Marijuana - age limit

No, the online consultation is done and so is the Task Force's work. PS Blair is going around on a tour, but we (public servants) are not involved.

The questions seems to come from a Constituent to an MP. I don't think it would be for us to answer. It is one thing to provide content when a MP makes an announcement on behalf of our Minister, but that isn't the case here. It is an MP answering her constituent.

Here are our lines regarding the TF Report and general lines that could help.

Holding Lines for Ministers Regarding the Receipt of the Task Force Report:

- We are pleased to receive the report from the Task Force and we thank them for their hard work.
- We recognize that legalizing and regulating cannabis is a complex issue. That is why we appointed the Task Force in June to provide us with the best advice on how to keep cannabis out of the hands of youth and profits out of the hands of criminals.
- The Task Force closely examined a wide range of issues related to cannabis legalization, and we will carefully consider their advice as the Government works to develop evidence-informed legislation to be introduced in Parliament in the spring of 2017.
- Although the work of the Task Force has concluded, there will be additional opportunities for Canadians to provide their input as we move forward with developing legislation.
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Key Messages on why the Government is Legalizing Cannabis:

- Canada's current system of controlling cannabis through the criminal justice system does not adequately protect the health and safety of Canadians, especially youth.
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- The Government of Canada has committed to legalizing and strictly regulating access to cannabis to keep it out of the hands of youth and profits out of the hands of criminals.
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From: Web Administrator
Sent: March-06-17 1:15 PM
To: Collin, Pierre <Pierre.Collin@justice.gc.ca>
Cc: Stooke, Diane <Diane.Stooke@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: FW: Legalizing Marijuana - age limit

Good afternoon Pierre,

This email was forwarded to us by the Office of the Hon. Chrystia Freeland. It is not clear from the email if they wish us to answer the constituent or if we are asked to provide a response for them to send out. This is the standard response I have in my file for marijuana enquiries such as this one:

As you may be aware, the Government of Canada has created a Task Force to engage Canadians on key questions related to the legalization, regulation and restriction of access to marijuana. We suggest you provide your input by completing the online consultation.

Please advise how you wish to proceed with this email?

Thank you.

Guy

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From: Freeland, Chrystia - M.P. [<mailto:Chrystia.Freeland@parl.gc.ca>]
Sent: March-03-17 12:47 PM
To: Web Administrator <Webadmin@justice.gc.ca>
Subject: FW: Legalizing Marijuana - age limit

Hello,

If you could help answer our constituent it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: December-14-16 9:57 AM
To: Freeland, Chrystia - M.P.
Subject: Legalizing Marijuana - age limit

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Chrystia,

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Legalizing marijuana is one of many initiatives that prove Canada is a progressive country – it is the right thing to do.

However, with the overwhelming evidence that pot can have serious (negative) impact on brain development for adolescents and young adults right up to age 25, it seems setting the legal age for buying pot at 18 is a big mistake. Even the Canadian Medical Association's recommended age of 21 would be better, but why not set it at 25?

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Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Savard, Angela

From: Web Administrator
Sent: 2017-Mar-06 2:12 PM
To: 'Freeland, Chrystia - M.P.'
Subject: RE: Legalizing Marijuana - age limit

Thank you for sending your email to the Department of Justice Canada's General Enquiries regarding legalizing marijuana.

As you may be aware, the following three ministers have been tasked with this mandate:

- Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada,
- Minister of Health, and
- Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness.

You may wish to bring your constituent's concerns to the attention of these ministers. Contact information to the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada is available on our website.

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
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